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**For:** USE OF A PHOSPHOLIPASE A2 FOR THE PREPARATION OF  
PHARMACEUTICAL AND/OR COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS FOR THE LOCAL  
AND/OR SYSTEMATIC TREATMENT AND/OR PREVENTION OF DISEASES  
AND/OR PROCESSES CAUSED BY INTRA- AND EXTRACELLULAR  
PATHOGENS EXPRESSING MEMBRANE PHOSPHOLIPIDS

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.143**

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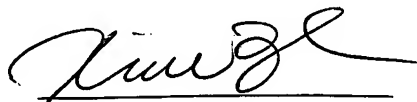
In response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2006, setting forth a requirement for restriction and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 14-21, drawn to a composition comprising phospholipase and carrier, classified in class 424, subclass 94.1.

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